### "BIT OF FLUFF" WEIGHS A TON

Farce from England Is Endowed with Many Defects.

PLAY RAN FOR YEAR IN LONDON

Some Consideration of the Psychology of War Audiences.

"A Little Bit of Fluff," a farce by Walter W. Ellis. Presented at the Thirty-ninth Street Theatre by Herbert Jay and Anthony Ellis.

By HEYWOOD BROUN.

loors, false mustaches, pajamas and ore spinster than bachelor. harles Garry, who plays this part, is

not worth discussion, but "A Little may not be dismissed beautiful red hair. don. The play is interesting, therefore, as a study in war psychology of the English. London audiences these days are largely made up of men and court to Ernest Charles Rollins, be-capable of volume of his own state capable of volume of his own state. trenches. It is not surprising, perto the salvos of the Big Berthas may



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The play goes to show what a numbing hand the great war has laid upon the stage. The Anglo-Saxon on either side of the ocean is not particularly afraid of Life or Death, but he will never greet him as an equal. The Reaper must endure the cut direct from the Englishman and the American. And so the Tommies die humming "Tipperary" or "O'Reilley" as our men sang "A Hot Time." The man on furlough from the front asks from the theatre that it shall show him things as they are not and never were. Not for, a moment will be tolerate being reminded of the reality which lurks just around the corner. These plays from London race, but for all their speed they cannot make the spectator forget the thing from which they flee. MANY FAIR TALKERS

"Plain Jane," the new Triangle film at the 'Rialto, is an amusing picture of life in a small college town. We doubt its fidelity to college life, in spite of the pains which the director has taken with the poker game. The picture, also, may be brought to book when it seeks to prove that many a beauty is overlocked simply because she wears her hair alicked close to her head. It is true that Bessie Barriscale wins a newspaper contest and a husband just as seen as she lets down husband just as soon as she lets down her hair and has it frizzled or some-thing, but for all of that she looks

thing, but for all of that she looks much more attractive in the beginning of the picture when she is a slavey.

The play tells the love story of a grind and the slavey. Charles Ray is pleasing as the hard-working student, but not very convincing in his love scenes.

The comedy picture serves to prove that Willie Collier is not so funny on the scenario in which he appears has at least one highly amusing scene, during which Collier holds a gate against horizontal contraction. The commoration in the party came into being at the Chicago convention in June. But two months of Democratic amendment for woman suffrage have brought them to a belief in more savebrought them to a The comedy picture serves to prove that Willie Collier is not so funny on the screen as on the stage, but the scenario in which he appears has at least one highly amusing scene, dur-ing which Collier holds a gate against

least one nighty amusing scene, during which Collier holds a gate against a horde of Aztecs.

Lou-Tellegen is a rounder, priest and soldier in "The Victory of Conscience" at the Strand. The story of the man who ruins a girl and then redeems her is told coherently and with a good deal of power, but the picture is a bit slow-paced. Margaret Trumbull is the author. Lou-Tellegen does well, but he will never take the place held by Douglas Fairbanks as a movie fighter. Tellegen has not learned to jab properly. All his blows are hooks.

June Caprice is the star in "Little Miss Happines" at the Academy of Music. The story is a somewhat conventional one of a girl who falls under unjust suspicion, but manages to clear herself in the final reel.

No play exists which has not some redeeming merit. We forgot to say that, although we don't like "A Little Bit of Flüff." Miss Margot Kelly has beautiful red hair.

CHANGES HIS GERMAN NAME

"We're after the scalps of the Democrats," Mrs. Boissevain repeated. "It's good politics and good sense to oppose the party that refuses us freedom. Our policy is to hold that party responsible for having power to confer political liberty upon women and refusing to do so."

Takes Rap at Wilson.

A PAIR OF QUEENS

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day for Adirondacks.



SCORE DEMOCRATS

as they took their tomahawks in hand here to-day in the big opening rally of

She said that for President Wilson



Mrs. J. A. H. Hopkins, of Morristown, N. J., chairman of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, who will lead plan to "scalp" Democrats,

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with the subsert Theatre on September 4.

Union for Woman Suffrage, who will lead plan to "scalp" Democrats, announced at Atlantic City rally.

Shortly after 8 o'clock.

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# Announcement is made that Lillian Russell has witnessed "Civilization" three times in Atlantic City, and it is understood that she made the additional visits in a vain endeavor to learn the name of the producer and director. G. S. K. Pedlers and Pummels Police Charles A. Ditmar, president of the

Housewives, After Doorstep Conclave, Charge Bluecoats

Foreging "Move On" Order—Capture Helmet and But
Arthur M. Howe.

Under the bombardment of a brisk thundershower the audience retreated more precipitately than did their forested than did their forested than the second than the se

day for Adirondacks.

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**ROOKIES VALIANT** 

IN SEA BATTLE

trolling among the men's belonging discovered an open bag, from which a pair of legs were waving. On the deck around the bag was a pile of white uniforms, underwear, towels—in fact, a rookie's complete outfit.

Seeing the waving feet, the man on watch drew forth a panting civilian.

"When I get ashore," he sputtered.

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"I'm going to have a place for everything and I'm going to keep everything in its place. I came in here for my pipe and I had to do a deep sea, dive to get it. Believe me this is no yachting party."

THEORETICALLY HIT,

Eagerly Await Action.

This rookie was Douglas Gibbons, one of New York's young real estate deal-

MANY FIGHT ON ers.

Every evening after mess, the ship's piano, commanded by civilian Ray Williams, goes into action. Immediately quartets are formed and dancing fol-

Out of the mist loomed vague shapes that were the vanguard of the attacking fleet. Only a brief glimpse of the low-lying hulks shrouded with smoke that hung heavy in the dawn mists was possible before the action began. It was just after assembly when the clangor called the rookies aboard the Maine to their positions at the six-inch guns.

Admiral Austin M. Knight declared to the day of the war game just completed by the United States Navy prove that, given fairly favorable weather conditions, an attacking fleet has an excellent chance of being able to land troops within twenty miles of New York City." Rear Admiral Austin M. Knight declared to Admiral Austin M. Knight declared tonight. "Nothing of this sort would have been possible," he added, "if the defending 'Blue' fleet had had an efficient scouting force, which was lacking in this particular problem."

Rear Admiral Knight, who was umpire in the paye's most important was For more than an hour they had been waiting the command to stand by for an engagement, for it had been rumored that the Nevada and the Texas, battle cruisers of the attacking force, had been sighted and sunk shortly after 8 celebras.

pire in the navy's most important war game, which ended yesterday in the virtual annihilation of the "Blue" or defending fleet, arrived to-night on the shortly after 8 o'clock.

Rushing to their stations, the crews

iam A. Prendergast, Park Commissioner Raymond V. Ingersoll, of Brooklyn;
Charles A. Ditmar, president of the
Chichester, G. H.
Harper, James T.
Underhill, R. W. Kings County Historical Society, and

## spaces between decks, where the hammocks are swung. Two nights ago the rookie acting as bag sentry, while patrolling among the men's belongings, IN FROM POLAND

35,000 Letters Now at the Rooms of Hebrew Immigrant Society.

MANY THREE MONTHS ON THE WAY HERE

Work of Sending Them to

Learn Thrills of War as Bugles Sound in the Morning Mists.

This dispatch from the Maine was written before those on board ship knew the results of the action. Rear Admiral Knight, the umpire, announced yesterday that the invaders had been victorious.

[From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.] Aboard U. S. S. Maine, at sea, Aug. 27.—Fifty miles off Rockaway the fight to determine whether an army was to be landed on New York's shores was fought yesterday morning. Singing bugles and dinning gongs warned the civilian volunteers that the enemy's ships had been sighted.

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Thirty-five thousand letters, which will in the near future bring sorrow or gladness to persons in all parts of the same day will review the Atlantic fleet. On that even part of the cruismant of the same day will review the Atlantic fleet. On that even in will in the near future bring and time for the officers of the

Thousand Seek Word.

When German armies invaded Poland postofices were closed to inhabitants of occupied districts. As a result the Immigrant Aid Society was besieged day and night by persons in this countray seeking to trace relatives in Russia. Last October agents of the society sia. Last October agents of the society made arrangements with the German government under which letters could be sent from the occupied districts to persons, irrespective of race or creed, in the United States and other North and South American countries, if addressed to the society. The name and address of the person to whom the letter was sent were to be written on an inclosed envelope or in the letter. The society promised to forward the mail.

BUNKER-At Lanesboro, Mass., on Saturday, August 26, Pauline A. Bunker, daughter of the late Frederick Bunker. Funeral services will be held at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, West 46th st., on Tuesday, August 29, at 11 o'clock.

CHICHESTER — On August 22, at McAllen, Tex., First Sergeant George II. Chichester, Company H. 7th Infantry, N. Y. U. S. Funeral services at his late residence, 802 West 181st st., at 2 e'clock, August 28, 1916.

HARPER.-On Saturday, August 26, after a lingering illness, James Thorne Harper, beloved husband of Katharine Clark Byrne. Funeral services at his late residence, 58 East 55th St., Tucs-

day, 29th inst., 10 a. m. day, 29th inst., 10 a. m.

PEARCE—Harriet B. Pearce, Elizabeth,
N. J., August 26, wife of the Rev. H.
M. Pearce. Funeral services at
Trinity Church, Elizabeth, N. J.,
Tuesday, 1:30 p. m.

PRATT—On Sunday, August 27, at his
residence, 94 6th av., William H. B.
Pratt, M. D., husband of Mary Houghton. Funeral private. Kindly omit
flowers.

UNDERHILL-At Pasadena, Cal., Sat-

urday, August 26, Richard Willetts
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